**Subject:** <LAAC Response Requested> Facilities Advocacy on Tuesday, February 13th at 4pm
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Hi everyone,

I am writing with an important request for action as we launch our collective public advocacy efforts in support of the LAAC's top priority, access to affordable public school facilities for all public school students. We will discuss this campaign and opportunity to move the needle together on local access to facilities next week during our February 14 step-back, but I hope you or your team can help us start the work in the meantime. Please respond to me directly if you or your team can speak to the charter movement's facilities concerns on Tuesday at 4:00pm, and we will coordinate with you to help you prepare.

LAAC Facilities Priority Collective Advocacy-  Speak at Tuesday's Board Meeting at 4:00pm

Some of you may have received an overlapping request from our Facilities team due to your participation in the Prop. 39 program, but I am writing to ask if you or a member of your team are available to speak on the need for substantive improvements to policy and practice around equitable access to public facilities during the 4pm time-certain public comment next Tuesday, February 13th. The time-certain slot for public comment ensures that you will only need to attend the meeting from 3:30pm-4:45pm to help make the charter community's voice heard. We will help you or your team prepare talking points. We are holding a group conference call tomorrow, Friday, February 9th at 3pm to discuss content

and logistics.

Additional Background

Tuesday’s board meeting is an opportunity to launch our broader facilities advocacy with a collective group of school leaders expressing the need for substantive change around equitable access to public school facilities. While our DRL wins in November included the district’s agreement to remove DRL language that prohibited creative, stable, long-term facilities use agreements, we are deeply concerned that recent actions by the District indicate that policy and practice will not change without pressure from the outside. Additionally, we must give our board members the political cover to make change on this important issue.

Thank you in advance for your consideration and response!

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